

REMARKS

The Advisory Action mailed February 14, 2007 indicated that, for the purposes of appeal, claims 27, 49, 64, 68, 71-74, 77, 79, 81, and 168 were allowed. In order to expedite these claims to issuance, Applicants have cancelled claims 67, 76, 83-86, 89-91, 94, 96, 97, 102, 104, 105, 110, 111, 114, 115, 119, 121-123, 126, 128, 129, 131-135, 138, 139, 144-167, 170, 172, and 174-178. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the cancelled claims in a timely filed continuation or divisional application. Claims 27, 49, 64, 68, 71-74, 77, 79, 81, and 168 are pending in the instant application.

If Examiner O'Hara believes it to be helpful, she is invited to contact the undersigned representative by telephone at 312-913-0001.

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